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Central Classroom building gets new roof

By Jena Torres

DAILY STAFF WRITER

Scaffolding and piles of tiles surround the Central Classroom building, which is undergoing a \$125,000 roof renovation.

Dan Johnson, associate vice president for Facilities, Development and Operations, said the construction is scheduled to be completed within the next six to eight weeks, if weather permits.

Tiles are being taken off the roof so that the roofing materials underneath can be replaced to prevent water damage, Johnson said.

The project was funded by the state through the Ongoing Deferred Maintenance Program, he said.

"You'll notice they pulled the tiles off. We're keeping them because, A: They're expensive, and B: They last a long time,"

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Johnson said. "Below the tile, it's the roofing, the tar paper and the building materials underneath that need replacing."

New gutters and downspouts are also being manufactured to fit the building, which was built in 1924, Johnson said.

"We try to keep it as close to original as we can," Johnson said. "We upgrade when it's the right thing to do. We wouldn't replace the windows with the old, single-pane windows. That wouldn't be wise. We get better, energy-efficient windows instead."

The original windows of the

building were replaced with thermal pane, aluminum-clad windows two summers ago, he said.

"It was brought to our attention when we did the windows that there was water tracking from the down spouts," Johnson said. "If you let it go, it'll go into the building and cause dry rot. This happens when water sits on the studs and joists and deteriorates the wood."

The construction on the building should not disrupt classes, Johnson said.

"There is not a lot of noise involved with laying that stuff," he said.

Some students and faculty members, however, are not so sure about that.

"Our teacher talks soft and sometimes we can't hear what

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Josh Uden, a roofer, inspected the old tiles on the roof of the Central Classroom building on Thursday. The gutters and the last four tiles will be replaced to prevent rainwater from seeping into the building.

Troy Bayless
Daily Staff



The rhythm is gonna get you

The Bantaba West African Dance Troupe celebrates African Awareness Month

By Jena Torres

DAILY STAFF WRITER

The upper pad of the Student Union was turned into a bantaba, or gathering place of celebration, as the Bantaba West African Dance Troupe of Oakland drummed, danced and sang Thursday to commemorate the first day of African Awareness Month.

Founded in 1989, the nonprofit troupe works with children in West Africa.

The troupe, made up of five male drummers and three female dancers, performed traditional

West African songs and dances while giving an explanation of their meanings and origins.

Participation of audience members is an important part of the troupe's presentation, said Gregory Hodge, one of the drummers.

"It's not a performance art, it's a participation art," Hodge said. "It invites people to come in. It's a healing art. If you have an illness, you need to be a part of your healing."

After playing one song, a drummer stood up, threw his

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Top, Jendayi Brandon from the Bantaba West African Dance Troupe performed to the rhythms laid down by the drummers Thursday in the Student Union. The accompaniment consisted of djembe, dun dun and sanba drums.

Above, Tacuma King led a percussive jam session with San Jose State University students during the Bantaba West African Dance Troupe's performance in the Student Union on Thursday. The students used Shekeres, traditional African instruments made from gourds, and cowbells.

Photos By Troy Bayless / Daily Staff

Greeks hit ice in rush tradition

By Jordan Robertson

DAILY STAFF WRITER

All Sarah Van Meir needed for an exciting night at the Ice Centre of San Jose on Tuesday was a bicycle helmet and her New Balance cross-trainers.

Van Meir was not playing hockey, rather, the business marketing major was playing her first game of broomball — a sort of poor-man's hockey that requires neither skates nor expensive pads.

In the game, players run on the ice, chasing a bright orange ball with their modified hockey sticks.

Shorter than traditional sticks, broomball sticks have straight ends instead of curved.

Scoring, however, is essentially handled the same in both sports.

Popular among fraternities and sororities for more than a century, broomball is a tradition at San Jose State University as well. Tuesday's game was organized as a rush event by the SJSU chapter of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

The point, organizers said, is to get together with sororities and new recruits in a friendly, albeit competitive, social setting.

Van Meir, who is considering pledging the

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Former Daily editor promoted at Mercury News

By Karen Kabiling

DAILY STAFF WRITER

San Jose State University alumnus and Bay Area journalist Stephen E. Wright was recently promoted to assistant managing editor for features at the San Jose Mercury News.

Wright graduated from SJSU in 1978 with a dual degree in journalism and political science.

Wright said the Spartan Daily was the main reason he transferred to SJSU from Pasadena City College.

"In the '70s, it was a very hands-on thing for journalists," Wright said. The Daily gave students that experience, he added.

Wright began as a reporter for the Spartan Daily in the Fall '75 semester and returned the following spring semester as editor-in-chief.

According to William Tillinghast, a journalism and mass communications professor and staff adviser for the Spartan Daily while Wright was on staff, the newspaper ran four days a week because of a paper shortage. During Wright's last term on the paper they began running five days a week.

Tillinghast said he remembers Wright's "good personality" and how he "worked well with his staff."

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Letters

Remedial classes present no benefits

I am writing in response to the Jan. 31 article by Jordan Robertson, "Remedial students face ax." The system that San Jose State University has set up is devised to make money. First you have to pay to take the Entry Level Mathematics exam and the English Placement Test, and then when you fail them, as many do, you must pay to take the extra courses.

I won't take issue with that fact, because it's a good business practice on the university's part. I won't even take issue with the fact that the California State University system wants to kick students out after they fail their remedial courses.

What I take issue with is the fact that students are forced to take classes that will not benefit them in any way whatsoever. Why on earth should an English major have to take a math class? Likewise, why should a math major have to take an English class?

Math lecturer Greg Kalkanis told Robertson that the skills you learn in math are the same skills you need to make everyday decisions. Beyond basic addition, subtraction and multiplication, I beg to differ. The only people who have ever told me that math was beneficial to someone like me, a journalism major, were unfailingly math whizzes.

By the time a student enters college, he or she should have the basic math and English skills they will need to survive. If a student cannot write a paragraph or balance their checkbook, I would wonder how they graduated from high school.

I was horrified to discover that I had to take math when I got to college. Then, of course, I flunked the ELM. I have taken two full, extremely unpleasant years of math at SJSU. And I'm still not finished. My situation is absolutely ridiculous, and it's something that countless people at this school have had to deal with.

So if you're in a remedial math or English course, please don't feel stupid or as though you are being punished. Realize that the administration is ignorant of the fact that some people simply do not have the propensity for math or English and that by sticking you in these moronic classes, they are reinforcing your hatred of the subject.

Erin Mayes
senior
journalism

Traffic and parking problems not ignored

Last semester and this semester, I have read this paper and seen students gripe and moan about the parking problems here on campus, the new police station and the Park & Ride shuttles. I felt like I needed to say something.

I work for the Traffic & Parking Operations of University Police, and you can be assured that we are doing the best we can to handle and deal with the parking problems with the resources we have.

Students keep saying, "build a new garage." Where? There is not enough land and it is very expensive. As for the police station, the old one is in such poor shape that this new one was desperately needed.

So next time when you are frustrated with the parking situation here at SJSU, don't take it out on us UPD employees. We are doing the best we can to keep things running smoothly here.

Daniel T. Offerman
senior
hospitality management

Looking back on frivolous clothing fads

As I sit here wearing my blue jeans, blue shirt, white shoes and New York Yankees hat, I can't help but think of how ridiculous trends are and how much I have not bought into them in the past.

I remember back to sixth grade. The days when everyone wore their clothing with pride and acted as if they were rich, not giving a second thought to the fact that their parents had just spent a small fortune on clothes that would quickly go out of style or get stolen during physical education class.

Ah yes, sixth grade, the days when everyone wore overalls.

Not just any overalls, but those "Guess" overalls with the triangle and question-mark logo that hid on the rear left pocket of every pair.

And if it wasn't "Guess," it was "IOU" or "Union Bay."

You know, the ones that everyone used to wear with only one strap up while they let the other one dangle



BEN AGUIRRE JR.

to their feet, only to be pissed off when they lost the buckle.

Thought you were cool, huh?

But it didn't stop there.

Soon after, Kris Kross and their backward-clothes phase took its toll on the youth of America.

Yep, that wonderful little variation made its way into the overall fad.

Now people were using both straps, but they were wearing them backwards.

After overalls faded away, or at least became less popular, "Cross Colours" took over.

Remember that ridiculous crap?

The vivid denim shirts, bright pants and leather jackets with the initials "CC" embroidered in the back.

And then there were the fishing hats with the green and yellow circle logo.

The multicolored gear was definitely in full effect in the early '90s.

This is one fad that had me baffled.

I mean, we are talking about a craze that was made famous by Dwayne Wayne and his buddies from the hit show "It's a Different World."

Soon after the rainbow-colored clothing left the world — with any luck — for good, came Nike.

Yes, Nike shoes have been around for a while, but they broke into the world of clothing after "Cross Colours" faded.

People wore that "swoosh" symbol on every piece of clothing you could think of.

But that trend, like everything else, also had its negative aspects.

You see, they had the fake flea market versions that looked nothing like the originals. The Nike pants that never "officially" existed and the Nike flannels.

It was all crap, and everyone realized how much of a crock it really was.

And with that, I bring you to the present.

Yes, that FUBU and Pelle Pelle that everyone loves to wear so much.

But even as I look at this current trend, now in its third year, I know better. I haven't fallen for the crap in the past, and I refuse to do it now.

No matter how many people deny it, those current brands will go out of style, too — quicker than you can say, "Hammer pants."

Ben Aguirre Jr. is the Spartan Daily Sports Editor. "Annoyed" appears Fridays.

"IT'S OKAY — HE SAID HE'S FROM THE LAPTOP REPAIR SHOP AGAIN"



Costanoan room located in the Student Union. For more information, call Faten Hijazi at 738-5940.

Kappa Sigma
Lunar, 8 p.m. at 168 S. 11th St. For more information, call the Kappa Sigma house at 279-9860.

A.S. Campus Recreation
Intramural soccer and basketball captain meeting. Interested in organized recreational sports? Come check us out! Soccer meeting: 2 p.m., basketball meeting: 3 p.m. in the Almaden room located in the Student Union. For more information, call Rita Chandler at 924-6266.

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry
Daily Mass, 12:10 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel located at 10th and San Carlos streets. For more information on events, call Sister Marcia or Father Charlie at 938-1610.

Alpha Tau Omega
Black-light bowling, 8 p.m. at 355 E. Reed St. For more information, call the Alpha Tau Omega house at 286-9346.

sjspspirit.org
Meditation — Guided and Instructional. All meditators wel-

come, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Chapel located at 300 S. 10th St. For more information, call R. Wharton at 605-1687.

Saturday

Filipino Nursing Students' Association of SJSU
"Health Care Challenges in the Year 2001 and Beyond," 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Umunhum room located in the Student Union. For more information, call Dr. Kathy Abriam-Yago at 924-3159.

SJSU Catholic Campus Ministry
"Life: Multiple Choices Day." Presentations on various life options. Practice skills of discernment, listening and sharing with others. Meals provided; donation only, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Campus Ministry Social Hall located at 10th and San Carlos streets. For more information on events, call Sister Marcia at 938-1610.

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Facing the reality of domestic violence

During winter break my friend told me his sister's husband used to hit her. That she would come home bruised and crying.

When he told me, my mouth dropped. I was at a loss for words.

There was a huge pause. I had no idea what to say, and I have no idea how we got started on the subject.

He told me the abuse occurred at the beginning of their relationship seven years ago. This past summer they were married.

My friend was only 12 years old at the time of his sister's abuse, and his father and brother weren't around to stop what was happening.

What's a 12-year-old supposed to do?

It seems as though there was almost nothing he could have done. His sister is 5 years older than he is, which means her boyfriend was about 17 at the time.

He also said he hated his sister's boyfriend at that time.

I can understand why. He felt powerless.

Things have gotten better for the couple and my friend's feelings of hatred have subsided — somewhat.

His sister's husband has seen a counselor and gotten help. He doesn't hit her anymore and hasn't hit her for quite some time.

Yet, I can't imagine a woman marrying a man who used to hit her. Knowing this makes me wonder why she married him.

I'm not her. I wasn't in her position. And I don't know the full scope of their relationship. So I guess I shouldn't judge her or her husband.

The only thing I can say is that I have been fortunate enough to not have experienced anything like that. Having had this discussion, I began to wonder: If I was in a similar situation, would I have fought back, left him or stayed with him?

I understand my friend's sister must have been frightened and was probably too afraid to break up with her boyfriend.

His sister had no one to protect her. I'm lucky enough to have a father and a brother who are around and would never allow anyone to treat me in a violent way. I guess I can't say the same for everyone else.

But this isn't the only time I've known a girl who was abused by a boyfriend.

When I was in high school I



TIFFANI ANALLA

RANT

played basketball with a couple of girls whose boyfriends would hit them.

One girl had a boyfriend who would smack her, and she would hit him back.

Yet, they dated for more than a year.

The other girl's boyfriend would hit her, but when my high school found out, he was kicked out of school and out of every high school in the district as well.

It would be easy for me to sit here and say I would have gotten out of any of these relationships and that I would never allow anyone to treat me in such an unacceptable manner, but the fact is I don't know what I would do unless I was in that situation.

For some who don't know, there are some alarming statistics involving violence that I had no idea existed.

About 37 percent of women experience battering, 34 percent of female homicide victims who are 15 and older are killed by their boyfriends, ex-husbands or husbands.

Physical violence can range from 20 to 35 percent in dating relationships.

Every nine seconds a woman is beaten or assaulted in this country, and four million women are assaulted by their partners every year, according to the Women's Rural Advocacy Programs' Web site.

These statistics may not make this next fact that much of a surprise.

The number one reason why women visit the emergency room is because of domestic violence.

These are a few of the statistics I found on the Internet, and there are many more I haven't included.

I know abuse isn't one-sided, and that there are women who abuse men, but I am just speaking from my point of view.

I have one thing left to say — that I'm at a loss for words.

Tiffani Analla is the Spartan Daily Assistant A & E Editor. "Rant" appears Fridays.

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Today

School of Art and Design
Student galleries, art exhibitions, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art and Industrial Studies buildings. For more information, call John or Nicole at 924-4330.

Institute of Management Accountants
Free pizza night, 6:30 p.m. at Round Table Pizza located at Moorpark and Saratoga.

SJSU Sailing Club
Practice, 1:30 p.m. to sunset at Lake Cunningham. For more information, call Joanna at (650) 799-3208 or e-mail JoDilley@aol.com.

Student Election Board
A.S. candidate applications. Candidate applications now available for Associated Students government 2001-2002 school year. Pick up applications in the A.S. office located on the third floor of the Student Union. Applicants must attend a mandatory

Candidate Orientation session. For more information, call the Student Election Board at 924-5955.

SJSU Alumni Association
Deans' scholarships: 17 \$1,250 scholarships available to undergrad and grad students. Pick up application from any Dean's office, deadline: March 1. For more information, call Ivy Low at 924-6524.

Sigma Chi
Casino night with Delta Gamma, 8 p.m. at 284 S. 10th St. For more information, call the Sigma Chi house at 279-9601.

Associated Students
Book loan program: apply in the Associated Students Business Office in the Student Union. For more information, call Maria Murphy at 924-6240.

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BROOMBALL: The joy of the game outweighs high rate of injuries

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Alpha Omicron Pi sorority at SJSU, couldn't wait to get on the ice.

"I want to kick some butt," she said. "I think it's gonna be fun. I'm really excited and since I don't know anybody I can't embarrass myself."

Some players, however, did embarrass themselves.

The first crash of the evening happened at the beginning of the game when a novice slipped on the ice, eliciting laughter from many of the 50 people in attendance.

Van Meir, 18, said she wasn't scared of getting hurt.

"You know, I think I can take it," she said, adding that her other classes have made her tough.

"Today, I had judo, kickboxing and then I have broomball. I'm going to do it all today."

Kris Huffman, president of Beta Theta Pi, said the event has been popular for as long as he can remember.

"It's one of the biggest rush events we have," said Huffman.

He added that, at 162 years old, the fraternity is the oldest in the country.

"It's (broomball) really good because we get a lot of people to come out and we get a lot of sororities to come out. It's a great rush tool."

Huffman credited the sport with attracting him to the fraternity.

"This is actually the event that got me to join the house," he said. "It was the first event I went to with the house. It's a great social event. That's what I like."

Most fraternities host broomball games once every semester, organizers said. The Beta events are among the largest, attracting between 50 and 100 people to each event, fraternity members said.

The fraternity brothers traditionally pay to rent the rink for the evening and let everyone else

play for free. It costs \$275 to rent the Ice Centre, organizers said.

Aaron Scott, a supervisor at the Ice Centre, said there are often injuries at broomball games. The problem, he said, is that players assume they have more traction than they actually do.

"They don't realize how slippery it is," Scott said.

To accommodate the broomball players, the ice is not "cut" after a hockey game, meaning the snow is left on it for better grip, Scott said.

"We leave it rough so they get more traction and they don't kill themselves," he said.

Scott said he has called the hospital several times because of broomball injuries, which have included broken hips and legs.

Bethany Levinson, a member of the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, said she's seen nothing but safety in her playing days.

"I've been coming here for three years and I've never seen an injury," the accounting information systems major said. "They're out there to have fun. They're not out there to kill everyone."

Despite its occasional rough play, said Elizabeth Lynch, a member of the Alpha Phi sorority, the game isn't intimidating for women.

Rather, she said, it's usually the women who rule the rink.

"We go out there and rough 'em up," Lynch said. "Usually when (the guys) get out there they leave crying. The guys tend to go easy on us. We play politely. We apologize when we hit people."

Frank Haggas, a Beta member, said the risk is all part of the fun.

"You do get bruised up a bit, but it's a great way to let out that first-week-of-school stress because you get to smack around the ball," he said. "Plus we're meeting guys who are going to join the fraternity, so we pause a little, talk, and get back to playing."

In step ... and in shape



Kristopher Gainey / Daily Staff

Instructor Lee Pate led her step-training class through exercises Thursday afternoon. The class is held Tuesdays and

Thursdays from 1:30 p.m. to 2:20 p.m. in the Spartan Complex Central (SPXC), Room 44B.

DeGuzman pleads innocent to charges

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The community college student accused of assembling an arsenal of guns and explosives in his room and plotting a mass killing at his school pleaded innocent Thursday to 122 charges.

"Mr. DeGuzman has merely an innocent fascination with the items that were seized," defense

attorney Craig Wormley said.

Al DeGuzman, 19, of San Jose, showed no emotion and said nothing as he was arraigned in Santa Clara County Superior Court on charges of possessing weapons and explosives, and possessing them with the intent to injure a person or personal property.

If convicted, the De Anza College student could face up to 108 years in prison.

Police found dozens of explosives and weapons in DeGuzman's room of his parents' San Jose home on Monday, only hours before police say DeGuzman planned to start planting bombs at

his school.

Authorities believe DeGuzman began planning the attack two years ago and was intent on carrying it out Tuesday.

"People fantasize — they don't go out and collect the material to build 60 bombs. That's beyond fantasy," said Santa Clara County Deputy District Attorney Lane Liroff.

Police have characterized DeGuzman as an angry individual fascinated with the deadly 1999 Columbine High School massacre.

Wormley called authorities' depiction of a "Columbine-style" planned attack "a huge leap and

rush to judgment of a man who has no prior criminal history whatsoever."

Police said DeGuzman planned to kill fellow students in the school's cafeteria and library, modeling the attack after the one in Littleton, Colo. In that incident, Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 13 people and wounded 23 others before committing suicide.

DeGuzman's arrest forced De Anza to shut down Tuesday. The school reopened Wednesday after a daylong search turned up nothing suspicious, and police said they had determined no one else was involved in the plot.

ALUMNUS: Wright was a former Daily editor-in-chief

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Wright said he remembered much controversy during his years at SJSU. He covered a student-led boycott against the old Spartan Pub, which served Coors beer. Wright said the reasons behind the boycott included allegations that the company did not treat its Latino employees equal to its white employees.

Wright said that covering the story was exciting.

"It gave local action on a national story," he said.

Working at the Spartan Daily "was a great experience because of all of the stories I covered," Wright said. He added that parking and student safety were big issues back then, and it remains the same today.

After working on the Daily, Wright said he moved on and became the Associated Students president.

Like most journalists, Wright said he began working as a reporter at small newspapers. He worked at a twice-weekly newspaper called the Los Gatos Times Observer. From 1980 to 1983, he worked as a general assignment reporter for The Argus in Fremont.

In 1984, Wright said he began working for the San Jose Mercury News as a criminal justice reporter in the Alameda County office. He joined the two-member San Francisco bureau three

years later, where he stayed for another three years before becoming an editor.

He left the Mercury News for about a year and a half to be the city editor at its sister paper, the Contra Costa Times. He later returned to the Mercury, however, to take the position as an assistant business editor for technology.

As a reporter, Wright mainly covered news, he said. In June 1999, he became the features editor. He was responsible for changing all the features "by creating an Arts and Entertainment section." He also said he took other elements from the Silicon Valley Life section in the paper and separated them into the different categories we see in today's San Jose Mercury News. Wright said his reason was that he "wanted to give each section a clearer identity."

As a journalist, Wright said he has adapted to the changes he has seen throughout the years.

Working at the San Jose Mercury News was a great experience, Wright said. He remembered how downtown San Jose "was a bombed-out city" full of prostitutes and drugs. Arts and Entertainment today is "light-years away from where it was 10 years ago," Wright said.

"San Jose had no real nightclubs," and added that now "Arts and Entertainment is much more competitive with San Fran-

cisco."

Prior to his promotion, Wright was the Bay Area editor for the San Jose Mercury News' metro staff. This included the responsibilities for local news outside Santa Clara County.

Regarding his experience as a journalist, Wright said he gets an adrenaline rush every time news stories come his way. He enjoys covering stories that center around important events.

"I could leave the office at 9 or 10 o'clock, and six to seven hours later the newspaper is at my driveway," Wright said.

Susan Goldberg, managing editor at the Mercury News, said she didn't have to look farther than her own newsroom.

"We looked nationwide for the perfect person for the job, and we found him at the Mercury."

"He plays a key role in the newsroom," she said.

She added that Wright possesses "good news judgment, leadership skills and creative story approaches."

Wright is one of five assistant managing editors in charge of daily operations of the features section, budget and newsroom duties.

He said he no longer writes stories — however, he feeds his journalism rush in different ways.

"At this level, it's pretty much a bureaucracy, but you still have fun," Wright said.

Scholarship Application Available On-Line!

The SJSU Financial Aid and Scholarship Office is offering General Scholarships for the 2001-2002 academic year to qualified applicants. We are pleased to be able to offer students a web-based application form with links to scholarship criteria and information we have never had before! On-Line application filing period is open until March 15, 2001. Scholarships will be awarded during the summer and early fall.

For more information or to apply go to: <http://scholarships.sjsu.edu>, or call the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office: 408-283-7500.

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Meta Marion Goldsmith Foreign Languages Scholarship
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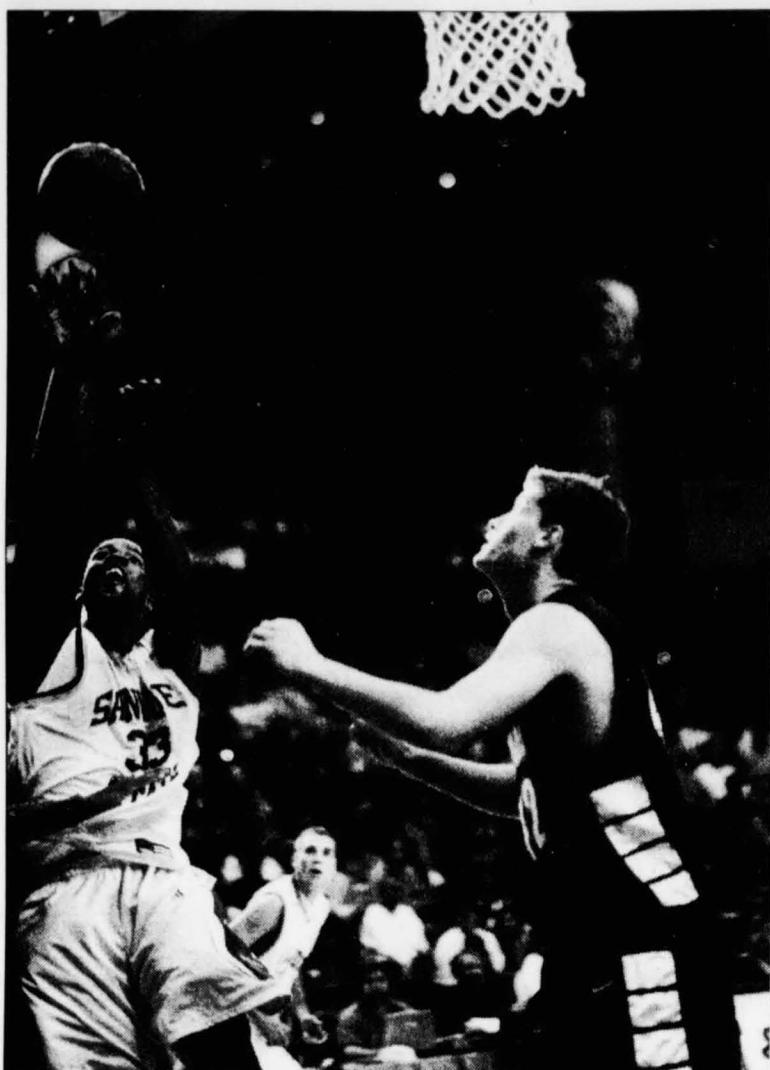
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Cory Powell, 33, takes Sean Paul, 42, to the basket in a Spartan 71-47 victory against the Wolf Pack Thursday at the Event Center

Spartans crush Nevada for second straight win

By D.S. Perez

DAILY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

On paper, the records of the Spartan basketball team and the Nevada Wolf Pack nearly mirrored each other coming into Thursday's contest.

Both San Jose State University and Nevada had only one victory against Western Athletic Conference opponents, with identical 1-6 records in WAC play.

They were anything but identical on the court Thursday night at the Event

Thursday's Score

Nevada Wolf Pack	47
Spartans	71

Saturday: SJSU vs. Fresno St. 7:30 p.m.

Center, as the Spartans beat the Wolf Pack 71-47 to earn their second consecutive victory in the WAC.

It was the second game in a row where the Spartans held the opposition to less than 20 points in the first half and below 50 for the game.

"They were ready to go," said Wolf Pack head coach Trent Johnson. "Make no mistake about it, San Jose State kicked our tail in every aspect of the game. They're a lot better than their record shows."

Senior forward Cory Powell matched a season-high with 19 points and had 13 rebounds — a career best — to go along with three steals.

Junior center Marion Thurmond finished with a double-double as well, scoring 13 points and grabbing 10 boards.

"Marion's coming on," Barnes said. Barnes also added if Marion plays as he did against Nevada and uses his large 6-foot-8-inch body, the Spartans may fare better in the stretch.

"He's got to stop playing like a new guy and play like a guy who's been around a

bit," Barnes said.

The game started with two minutes of scoreless action, but the Spartans soon took an 8-0 lead. Darnell Williams scored the game's first two points by tipping an inbound pass into the basket. Powell then hit a jump shot and a three-point field goal, while David Granucci went one-for-two at the free-throw line to put SJSU ahead.

The Spartans led by as much as 21-7 and ended the first half leading by a score of 35-20.

Poor shooting by the Wolf Pack aided the Spartans, as Nevada finished the game shooting 27.4 percent from the field. Freshman guard Garry Hill-Thomas came off the bench and gave the Wolf Pack its first two points of the night by sinking two free throws.

Thomas, who had 72 points all season, was Nevada's only weapon, leading his team with 13 points.

Powell said the victory would prepare the Spartans for their next game, against conference rival Fresno State, a nationally ranked team.

The Spartans will host the Bulldogs at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Event Center.

"We take each game one step at a time," Powell said. "It doesn't matter where we are playing - we just bring our game to the court. But we love playing in front of the San Jose State crowd. They keep us in the game."

SJSU head coach Steve Barnes said the victory at home was a rare one, as the Spartans appear to play better on the road, in his eyes.

The only other WAC victory for the Spartans this season came on the road.

"We got to play better at home," Barnes said.

Another psychological aspect that Barnes noted was the dwindling amount of games his seniors have left in their final season.

"We're down to nine games left for those guys to leave on the right note," he said.

SPARTAN OUTLOOK

Men's Basketball

• Saturday vs. Fresno State at 7:30 p.m. at the Event Center.

• Thursday at Fresno State at 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball

• Today at Nevada at 7 p.m.

• Sunday at Fresno State at 2 p.m.

Baseball

• Today through Sunday vs. UC Santa Barbara at Municipal Stadium.

• Tuesday vs. San Francisco State at 2:30 p.m. at Blethen Field.

Softball

• Saturday and Sunday at SJSU Field.

• Wednesday vs. San Francisco State at SJSU Field.

Tennis

• Today at UC Davis at 2:30 p.m.

• Thursday vs. Sonoma State at 2 p.m. at Los Gatos Racquet Club.

Swimming

• Today at Nevada.

• Saturday at Fresno State at 1 p.m.

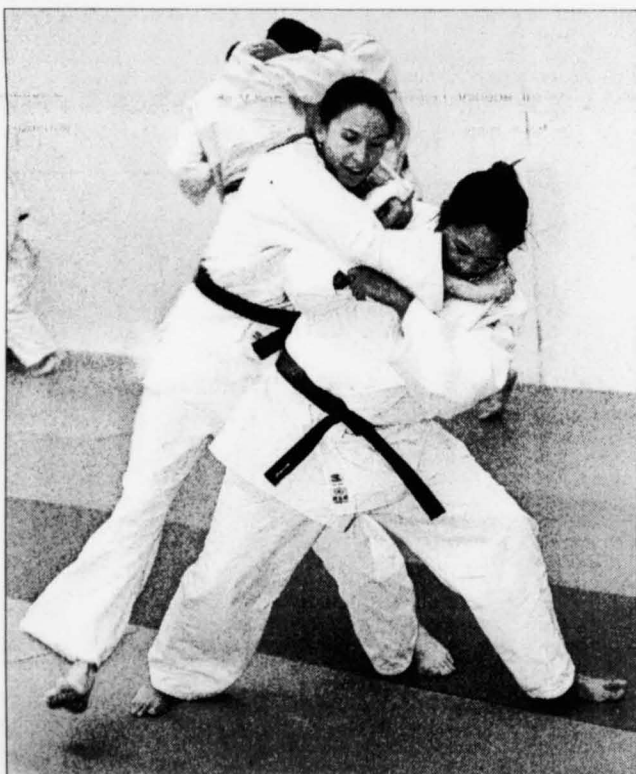
Water Polo

• Saturday vs. UC Davis at 11 a.m. at the Aquatic Center.

Gymnastics

• Saturday at Seattle Pacific at 8 p.m.

The throw-down ...



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Left to right, Bethany Levison and Susie Cunanan practice grapples and throws in their advanced judo class, which meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Uchida Hall. San Jose State University's judo team will be hosting a tournament at 9 a.m. on Sunday in the Event Center.

Wounded Tiger 6-under at Pebble Beach

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — The limp was barely noticeable as Tiger Woods headed to the first tee Thursday. What followed was a game that's all too familiar.

One day after he got tripped up by an autograph hound and injured his knee, Woods found his stride at Spyglass Hill with birdies on the last three holes for a 6-under 66 in the first round of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

Woods was only two strokes behind early leader David Berganio on a gorgeous afternoon on the Monterey Peninsula.

"I should be able to break 90 today," Woods joked as he walked off the putting green and headed to the range to hit balls for the first time since he sprained a ligament in his left knee Wednesday while trying to walk through a pack of fans.

Standing on the first tee, Woods reached back with his left leg and tapped the ground twice, then stepped up and belted a 321-yard drive. That was followed with a 3-wood that went 274 yards and left him pin-high to set up a birdie.

He managed to break 90, all right.

In fact, Woods said he knew nothing would keep him from his starting time. He had a brace on early Thursday, but decided to take it off before he played.

"It felt sore, yes," Woods said. "But when it's time to play, it's time to play. A friend of mine

told me there's a difference between pain and injury."

Berganio tied the Spyglass tournament record with his bogey-free round of 64 under conditions rarely seen on the peninsula — sunny skies, mild temperatures and only a breath of wind.

"If you're going to catch Spyglass when it's asleep, today is the day," Berganio said.

Not many people saw his 64, which matched Dan Forsman's score at Spyglass in the 1993 tournament.

The galleries lined both sides of the fairway to see how Woods might respond from the bizarre accident. He was slightly tentative while walking the first two holes, but his knee got stronger as the day went on, and so did his game.

"It's definitely sore," he said.

"It was more sore at the beginning when I first started playing. The middle part was great and toward the end it started getting sore again."

Woods was solid from start to finish.

The only time any pain was evident was the awkward finish after his 3-wood on the first hole from a downhill lie, and when he tried to crush a drive on the 529-yard seventh hole — he hit that one 333 yards to set up another easy birdie.

"The first few drives were kind of difficult," Woods said.

"It's a little different that warming up on the range. You have a range swing, then you have a game-time swing."

Watching among the gallery was swing coach Butch Harmon, who noticed a few adjustments but was hardly concerned.

"He can't get over to his left side as quickly, which I don't think hurts him," Harmon said. "We've been working on getting his lower body more quiet. I haven't seen it present a problem. He's good at withstanding pain."

Woods birdied the first two holes on the back nine, the second one important because it followed a 30-minute wait. He missed only three fairways and just one green, saving par with a delicate, downhill chip on the par-3 12th that stopped inches from the cup.

And if his knee was getting tender toward the end of a round that took 5 hours, 40 minutes, then it didn't show.

Woods blasted a 322-yard drive on No. 16 and hit a 9-iron into 5 feet for birdie. He holed a sharp-breaking 12-foot birdie on No. 17, then hit his approach into 4 feet on the final hole to close out his 66.

Imagine what he might have done with a strong knee.

"Probably a 73 or 74," Woods joked. He opened with a 73 at Spyglass a year ago in the rain and muck, and wound up winning the tournament by making up seven strokes on the final seven holes at Pebble Beach.

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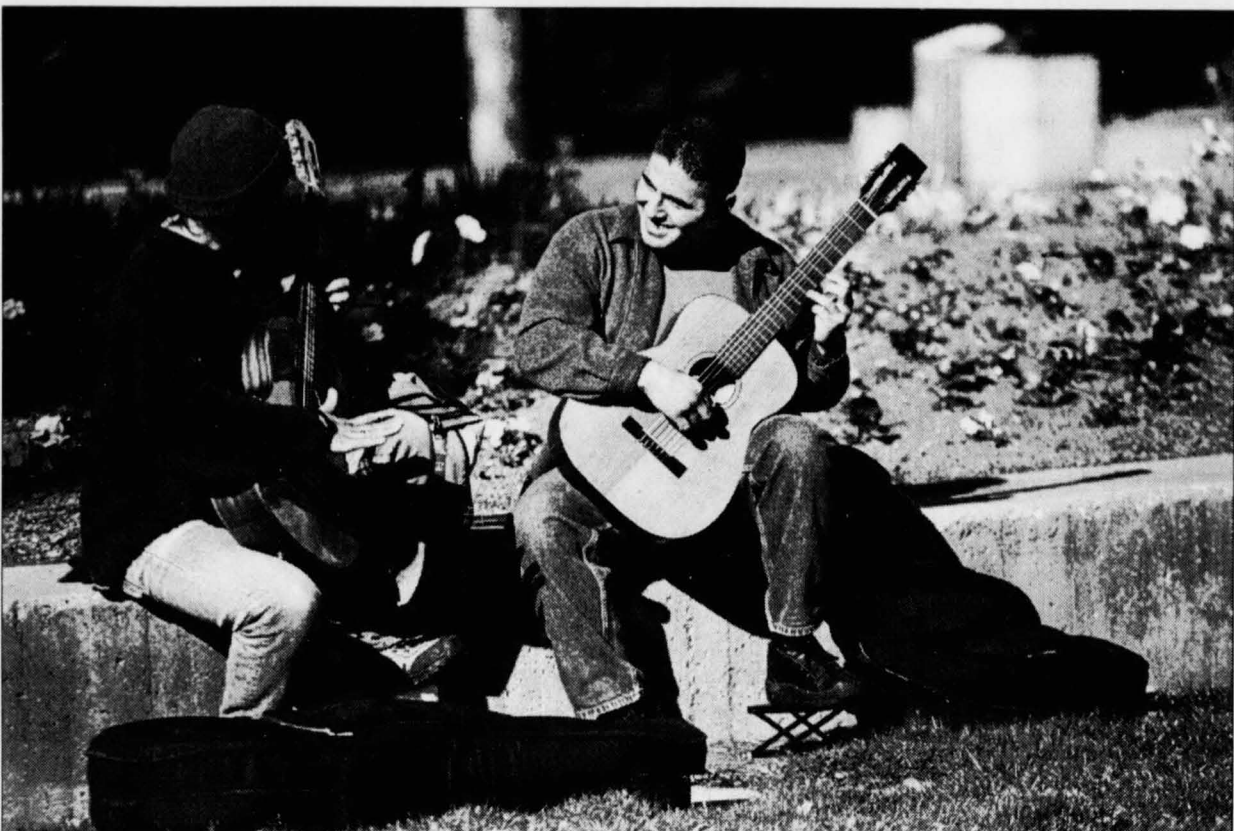
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Jorge Castro, left, gave a smiling Manuel Sallas guitar lessons Monday in front of Clark Library. The clear skies and

warm weather allowed the two to practice in the sunshine.

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BANTABA: Audience members were encouraged to participate in celebration

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drum into the air and caught it.

He then looked into the audience, singled out a male student and asked him to join the drumming.

The student came up and was invited to a drum "challenge."

The drummer played short, fast rhythms and gestured for the student to repeat them.

The student matched the rhythms, which included a few dance steps as well.

"This center is a gathering place," Hodge announced to students gathered on two levels of the Student Union. "We come in commemoration of African Awareness Month. We've got to talk about all of our history. Our history didn't just start here on these shores."

"Anytime there is a gathering, it's a bantaba," Hodge later explained. "This represents a bantaba, when we all came together."

One number performed by the troupe was called "Jale Dome."

It was about the storytellers in West Africa called "jale" who "kept a lot of the tradition of their parents and ways to heal many, many problems," said Mosheh Milon, director of the troupe.

The dancers joined in during the song, wearing traditional, brightly colored African dresses, hair wraps and shell jewelry.

They danced energetically, jumping frequently and smiling widely.

At one point, 10 students were brought up and given various instruments, including bells and "casankasanks," or gourds covered with a netting of beads.

The students were led by a drummer who taught them to play rhythms.

The racially diverse students in the group moved in a circle with big smiles on their faces as the drummer announced, "Music is love. Music is creation. Music is perfect."

Anita Patwardhan, a junior majoring in management information systems, was one of the students who came from the crowd and played the instruments.

"I wasn't just sitting there watching, so it was a much more meaningful experience," she said. "By being involved you feel a deeper connection with the music."

Later, dancers picked students from the crowd and taught them dance steps.

The relationship between the drummers and dancers is an important aspect, Hodge said.

"Like most things in nature, there is a complementary aspect to the relationship," he said. "The drummers are playing to the dancers and the dancers are dancing to the drummers. It's definitely a conversation. A good dancer knows the music and a good drummer knows the dance. The two are married the same way the earth is married to the sky. We are re-creating the sense of creation."

Ashcroft confirmed as Attorney General

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Sen. John Ashcroft won confirmation as attorney general on Thursday, completing President Bush's Cabinet and overcoming a ferocious Democratic assault on his conservative views and personal integrity. The Senate vote was 58-42.

"The president of the United States, George W. Bush, is entitled to have his selection as attorney general," Majority Leader Trent Lott said a few moments before the roll was called on the most contentious confirmation fight in a decade.

Vouching for the nominee's honesty and integrity, he brushed aside weeks of attacks by Democrats, including many of Ashcroft's former Senate colleagues. "I don't know that person" they're depicting, said Lott, R-Miss.

Democrats claimed a consolation prize, saying the 42 votes against the nomination would be enough to sustain a filibuster against future Bush administration nominations they deemed too conservative. The votes in opposition were the most against any attorney general in the nation's history.

"He's wrong on civil rights, wrong on a woman's right to choose, wrong on needed steps to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and children," argued Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., who led the fight against confirmation. "And he's the wrong choice to be attorney general of the United States."

Within hours of the vote, Ashcroft was sworn in at the Supreme Court by Justice Clarence Thomas, a longtime

friend who survived a brutal confirmation struggle of his own a decade ago.

In a statement, the new attorney general pledged he would "confront injustice by leading a professional Justice Department that is free from politics, that is uncompromisingly fair."

Even with Democrats claiming success, the result was a victory for Ashcroft and the president. All 50 Senate Republicans and eight Democrats voted for confirmation of the former Missouri senator, whose long political career seemed over when he lost a re-election bid last November.

All the votes in opposition came from Democrats. They included not only liberal stalwarts such as Kennedy, but also the roster of potential presidential contenders who would need support from women's groups and black voters to prosper in a 2004 campaign — Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut, John Edwards of North Carolina, Evan Bayh of Indiana, John Kerry of Massachusetts and Joseph Biden of Delaware.

Sen. Jean Carnahan, D-Mo., opposed Ashcroft in her first high-profile vote since taking the seat that her late husband won from Ashcroft last November. Ashcroft, she said, "was just too divisive for our country."

Republicans bristled at the attacks.

"I have absolute, total, complete confidence that he is going to be one outstanding attorney general of the United States," said Sen. Don Nickles of Oklahoma, the GOP whip.

And Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, chairman of the Judiciary Com-

mittee, scoffed at Democratic claims. "If that's the way you've got to send a message, by trashing a person's reputation, distorting his record ... that's pretty pathetic," he said.

Liberal opponents, he charged, "want a litmus test society."

Even before the vote, Republican sources circulated the names of likely top-ranking officials in a Justice Department headed by the Ashcroft. These included Larry D. Thompson as deputy attorney general, the number two spot in the agency, and Theodore Olson as solicitor general, the lawyer who represents the administration before the Supreme Court.

Thompson, a black lawyer who was U.S. attorney in Atlanta during the Reagan administration, was a key adviser to Clarence Thomas during his bitterly fought confirmation as a Supreme Court justice in 1991.

Ashcroft's conservative views, including his opposition to abortion and gun control and his fight against a desegregation plan in St. Louis more than a decade ago, were never in doubt during the confirmation battle. In four days of hearings last month, the former state attorney general, governor and senator sought to reassure his critics, saying he would serve "all the people" and enforce the nation's laws despite his "personal preferences." In particular, he pledged not to seek a Supreme Court reversal of a woman's right to abortion, said he would defend the constitutionality of gun controls he opposed in the Senate, and said the civil rights division was of particular importance to him.

SJSU student hailed as a true hero

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An 18-year-old aspiring actress is living up her new hero status after tipping police and foiling what could have been a community college massacre.

Local officials are crediting Kelly Bennett, a photo lab clerk and daughter of a San Jose police officer, with saving the lives of possibly hundreds of students at De Anza College.

Police say the Cupertino college was the target of an alleged bombing attack Tuesday by Al DeGuzman, 19, of San Jose. DeGuzman, a student at the school, is being held without bail awaiting his first court appearance Thursday. He will face various explosives and weapons charges in connection with the case, police say.

Less than 10 hours before DeGuzman was allegedly going to begin laying out explosives, Bennett found herself staring at freshly developed pictures of a young man in black boots, gloves,

and pants, posing with what appeared to be pipe bombs and guns.

"I'm supposed to report any child pornography, any weird goings-on, and this was definitely one of those times," the petite, auburn-haired woman told reporters Wednesday. "There was no question in my mind. The first picture I saw, I knew I had to call police."

Bennett first called her father, a 17-year police veteran, who in turn told her to dial 911.

Bennett calmly described to dispatchers what she saw and told them the owner was due to pick up the photographs soon.

"There's pictures of pipe bombs. There's a clock attached to a pipe bomb," she said, according to a recording of the emergency call. "A guy holding a gun. One of the guns is the same length as a guitar case."

When Bennett noticed DeGuzman standing in the customer line, she knew police were on their way.

She stalled him for a few min-

utes at the counter, telling him she couldn't find the pictures. She then said she had to run to the back of the store.

DeGuzman unsuccessfully tried to get away when police officers approached him.

Hours later, police said they found a stockpile of explosives and weapons in DeGuzman's bedroom, along with diagrams and other notes indicating he was prepared to launch the attack Tuesday. Police, who have not determined a motive, but described DeGuzman as very angry and full of hate, said the plan was to kill as many people as possible.

"I don't know how I'd be able to live with myself if I had let this guy go ... and he had killed some of my friends," said Bennett, a student at San Jose State University.

Meanwhile, Bennett said, the subsequent attention "feels good." She was headed to New York for multiple television talk show appearances Thursday.



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